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CRITICAL ENERGY PROTECTION
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FM UNGA meetings

¶1. (C) On October 2, Charge met with Kuwait Ministry of Foreign Affairs Under Secretary Khaled Suliman Al-Jarallah to deliver and follow-up on septel demarches and to discuss the Foreign Minister's UNGA meetings, Critical Energy Infrastructure Protection (CEIP) and other issues. U/S Al-Jarallah said that Kuwaiti Foreign Minister (FM) Dr. Mohammed Sabah Al-Salem Al Sabah's meetings on the margins of UNGA were very successful, and highlighted, without providing details, that the GCC 2 meetings were especially positive. He added that the FM had just returned to Kuwait and that he had yet to provide the MFA leadership with a proper readout of the NY meetings. He also said that on October 2, Lebanese Prime Minister Fouad Siniora arrived in Kuwait to attend meetings with the FM.

CEIP MOU

¶2. (C) Charge raised the importance of the GOK moving expeditiously to sign an MOU with the U.S. on the Critical Energy Infrastructure Protection (CEIP). The U/S queried as to the level of progress of this agreement with other GCC states, to which the Charge responded that each country is dealt with on bilateral basis and talks on CEIP progress at different paces. He also stressed to the U/S a sense of urgency that Kuwaiti infrastructure sites remain vulnerable to various threats. The U/S promised to facilitate coordination among the relevant ministries and agencies to expedite the signing of the MOU.

AMCIT deportation

¶3. (C) Charge briefed and thanked the U/S for ongoing Kuwaiti National Police (KNP) cooperation in an effort to return an American fugitive residing in Kuwait to the U.S. to face trial. Apprehension of the fugitive took place without incident in front of the Embassy, and the AMCIT is currently in KNP custody pending "voluntary" deportation to CONUS now set for 5 October.

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